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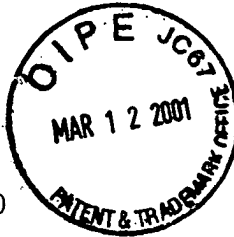
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FARMWALD et al.

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Title: METHOD OF OPERATING A MEMORY
DEVICE HAVING A VARIABLE DATA
INPUT LENGTH



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INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Dear Sir:

In compliance with the duty of disclosure set forth in 37 C.F.R. §1.56, submitted herewith is a modified Form PTO-1449, including a copy of all of the documents listed therein. An English translation has been obtained for one of the references and a copy of this translation is enclosed herewith.

Some of the references listed in the PTO-1449 have appeared in a communication from a foreign patent office in a related foreign application. A copy of that communication along with an English translation is also enclosed herewith.

It is respectfully requested that the Examiner make his consideration of the reference formally of record with the next Action. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees which may be required in connection with this submission to Deposit Account No. 50-0998. A duplicate copy of this document is enclosed.

Respectfully submitted,

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RECEIPT OF THE FOLLOWING PAPERS IS ACKNOWLEDGED

1. Information Disclosure Statement (1 page + 1 copy thereof + PTO-1449
(1 page)) + REFERENCES

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